

sometimes known as Sunza. The fruit is large, somewhat oblong with a reddish-gray skin; the flesh yellowish, fibrous and rather sweet, enclosing an oval depressed seed." (W. E. Safford.) For distribution later.

OCHNA PULCHRA. (Ochnaceae.) 34942. Seeds from South Africa. Presented by Mr. J. Burt-Davy, Government Agrostologist and Botanist, Pretoria, Transvaal, Union of South Africa. An ornamental shrub or small tree with pendulous racemes of orange-red berries, found in the vicinity of Johannesburg, Transvaal. The seeds yield oil. For frostless regions. For distribution later.

PERSEA AMERICANA. (Lauraceae.) 34994. Seeds of avocado from Valparaiso, Chile. Procured by Mr. W. F. Wight, of this Bureau. "Palta. The fruits from which these seeds were taken are sold in Valparaiso. They are purple-skinned, rather small and of very fair quality." (Wight.) For distribution later.

SOLANUM SPP. (Solanaceae.) 35023-028. Seeds and tubers of potatoes from various parts of Chile. Procured by Mr. W. F. Wight, of this Bureau. Various varieties obtained by Mr. Wight in his investigations of the potato in its original habitat. For distribution later.

SOLANUM COMMERSONI. (Solanaceae.) 34921-922. Tubers of a potato from the Colonial Museum, Marseille, France. Presented by the Director, Dr. E. Heckel.

XIMENIA CAFFRA. (Olacaceae.) 35043. Fruits from South Africa. Presented by Mr. J. Burt-Davy, Government Agrostologist and Botanist, Pretoria, Union of South Africa. "Zuur pruin. An edible fruit useful for jellies. It grows in semi-arid, sub-tropical localities, such as the Transvaal bush-veld." (Burt-Davy.) For distribution later.

UNDETERMINED. Roots from Angola, West Africa. Presented by Mr. Merlin W. Ennis, Boston, Mass. "Olanamba. The wild ones are found on stony mountain slopes where the soil is sandy. This cultivated root seems to thrive on any soil and will bear well on soil too poor and sandy for potatoes. The natives eat these roots raw. We bake them, use them in soup, etc." (Ennis.) For distribution later.

NOTES FROM CORRESPONDENTS ABROAD.

Mr. Frank N. Meyer, Agricultural Explorer writes from Harbin, Manchuria, Feb. 25, 1913: "The last long report I